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THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I have already explained the position with regard to buildings."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" My question was whether the police constables are being paid house-rent allowance even if they have houses of their own, and whether there is any rule that they should be given house-rent allowance even in cases where they have got houses of their own. If there is any such rule, may I know, Sir, whether it differs from place to place, from official to official, and from class to class? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" If the hon. Member will put a separate question to me, I will study the whole set of rules, and answer."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" The Hon. Chief Minister stated in his reply that where accommodation was limited, preference was given to married persons. Is it not a fact, Sir, that bachelors are not given accommodation in such houses at all? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I understand the hon. Member's great sympathy for the constables."

The Kuttipuram bridge.

* 258 *Q.*—SRI P. KUNHI RAMA KIDAV: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the stage at which the construction of the Kuttipuram bridge (Ponnani taluk, Malabar district) stands at present; and

(*b*) whether there is any proposal to postpone the construction?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (*a*) The foundation work has been completed, most of the piers have been completed up to bed block level and the superstructure yet remains to be done. Out of eleven spans of the bridge, one span has already been cast and work in another span is in progress.

" (*b*) No."

Abolition of the system of maintaining confidential sheets for the N.G.Os.

* 259 *Q.*—SRI G. RAMA RAO: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state whether there is any proposal with the Government to abolish the present system of maintaining confidential and conduct sheets for the non-gazetted officers?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" There is no such proposal under consideration."

SRI G. RAMA RAO :—" In view of the fact that there is every scope for officers to ride rough-shod over their subordinates and to ill-treat them at their whims and fancies, and to mar them if they refuse to do any favour for their own caste-men and favourites at the expense of others, with the help of the system of maintaining